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Applicants hereby petition to withdraw the above-noted patent application from issuance. This withdrawal is voluntary in order to permit the Patent Office to consider an Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 (see 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(5)). The issue fee for this case was paid on October 18, 2002.

Applicants submit herewith a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), copies of the Fifth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO-1449, and the first page

of the cited references. Full copies of the cited references will be sent to the appropriate Technology Center for consideration in due course.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge payment of the Petition Fee in the amount of \$130 to our Deposit Account No. 19-1090. In addition, the Commissioner is authorized to charge payment of any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.116 and 1.117 associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-1090. This request is being submitted in duplicate.

Should the Examiner have any additional questions, he is respectfully encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney at (206) 622-4900.

Respectfully submitted,

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